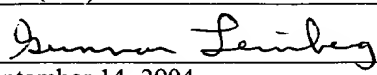
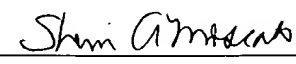


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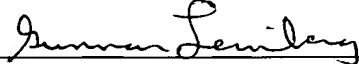
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on August 24, 2004, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I which includes claim 1-22 and 37-50 with traverse. Applicants traverse the restriction requirement on the basis that the claims of the present application require common areas of search and consideration. Since no serious burden exists for search and examination of the groups defined in the outstanding office action, no benefit is derived from imposing restriction among Group I, II, and III. Therefore, the restriction requirement should be withdrawn. In view of all of the foregoing, Applicants submit that this case is in condition for allowance and such allowance is earnestly solicited.

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